

## **United States Department of the Interior**

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IN REPLY REFER TO: 3809 (UTW02000) UTU-88441

DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

December 4, 2013

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7012 3460 6633 0533 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

## **DECISION**

Dale Rogers P.O. Box 697 Delta, UT 84624

43 CFR 3809 - Surface Management

Plan of Operation

## NONCOMPLIANCE ORDER RESCINDED

The Noncompliance Order issued for your proposed Pleasant Mine on August 16, 2013 is rescinded. The Suspension Order for your operation is also rescinded. Your Pending Plan of Operations, UTU-88441, is located in aliquot parts of Section 31, Township 13 South, Range 19 West; Salt Lake Meridian. Please refer to this number in future correspondence. The corresponding Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (UDOGM) case file number is S/023/0109.

We conducted a site visit and on-site meeting with the officials of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Minerals, you, and your attorney, on November 13, 2013. We found that the large trench which you had excavated previously without authorization has now been re-filled, and the earthwork at the site has been stabilized. A wooden fence, pallets, pipes, treated wooden ties, and a culvert remain at the site. These items will be considered as part of an expected exploration Notice for the site to be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Fillmore Field Office, as discussed during the on-site meeting. Also as discussed during the on-site meeting, the submitted but incomplete Plan of Operations for the site will be retained as a 'draft' document, with the expected possibility that a Plan of Operations proposal may be implemented for the site subsequent to the exploration Notice.

You have previously submitted a Financial Guarantee of \$12,000.00 to the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (UDOGM), and that information has now also been communicated to the BLM. The required information elements for a complete BLM Notice proposal are described in 43 CFR §3809.301. As specified in 43 CFR §3809.420, please include a description of how you will complete reclamation to standards. Also, please include an estimate of the cost to fully reclaim your operations, as required in 43 CFR §3809.552.

Upon receipt of your Notice proposal, the BLM will review it within 15 days to determine if it is complete, as specified in 43 CFR §3809.311. If the BLM needs additional time to complete the review, then as specified in 43 CFR §3809.313(a), you will be notified that additional time to complete the review is required, not to exceed 15 days. During the review, the existing and proposed surface disturbances will be evaluated to determine a sufficient Reclamation Cost Estimate (RCE). The BLM and UDOGM will consult to determine a uniform RCE amount, which will then be considered in relation to the bond amount already held by UDOGM. The BLM will then notify you if your proposal is sufficient to prevent unnecessary and undue degradation, and you will be notified of the required RCE, or financial guarantee. As required in 43 CFR §3809.312(c), you must provide to the BLM a financial guarantee that meets requirements before beginning operations.

If you have any questions, please contact Duane Bays, Fillmore Field Office Natural Resource Specialist, at (435) 743-3115.

Sincerely

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